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cutting level and advantageously has a cut in or step to the lower side surface 118 which extends substantially parallel to the cutting plane. Upper and lower transition regions (at the transition from the leading surface to the trailing surface are followed by upper trailing surface 122 and lower trailing surface 124 which converge to trailing edge 120).--.

Page 16, amend the Appendix as follows:

--APPENDIX

1 underwater pelletizer

2 pelletizer cooling passage structure or cap

3 coolant flow entry

4 housing

5 coolant flow exit

6 pelletizer housing bearing

6' pelletizer cap bearing

7 seal

8 shaft

9 cutting head

10 knife blade part

12 knife edge and leading edge

14 knife blade body portion

16 blade body connection portion

18 kmfe portion undersigned lower leading edge surface

20 trailing edge

22 upper trailing surface

24 lower trailing surface

26 knife part radially outer end

28 upper-leading surface

32 connection fastener opening

34 connection fastener opening

110 knife blade part

112 knife edge and leading edge

114 knife blade body portion

116 blade body connection portion

118 knife portion undersigned lower leading edge surface

- 120 trailing edge
- 122 upper trailing surface
- 124 lower trailing surface
- 126 blade part radially outer end
- 128 upper leading surface
- 132 connection fastener opening
- 134 connection fastener opening
- 210 pelletizing die plate
- 212 extrusion orifice section
- 226 heat medium supply line
- 228 heat medium discharge
- 238 polymer channels-